

**Amendments to the drawings:**

Figures 1-16, amended in accordance with the PTO notice, are presented in the 20 drawings replacement sheets (Appendix, *supra*), in place of the corresponding figures currently of record.

**Attachments:**

Replacement Sheets (20).

**Remarks/Arguments:**

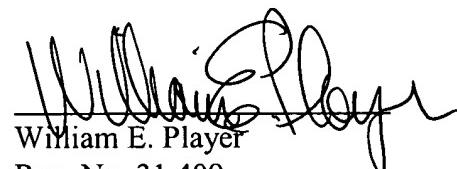
The drawings are amended, hereby, pursuant to the Notice Regarding Drawings, including Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (mailed June 28, 2006).

Amended (replacement) drawing figures are submitted, herewith, as explained above. Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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**APPENDIX**  
**(Replacement Sheets of Drawings)**